

MENE TEKEL: (1)
BEING AN
ASTROLOGICAL
JUDGMENT

ON THE
Great and Wonderful YEAR

1688.

Deduced from the true and Genuine Principles of
that Art: Shewing the Approaching *Catastrophe*
of Popery in ENGLAND, &c.

Thou shalt not make unto thee any *Graven image*.

Thou shalt not *bow down* thy self to them, *Exod. xx. v. 4, 5.*

They Lavish Gold out of the bag, and weigh Silver in the balance, and hire a *Goldsmith*, and he maketh it a *God*: they fall down, yea they worship.

They bear him upon the *Shoulder*: they carry him, and set him in his place, *Isai. 46. v. 6, 7.*

And *Jehosaphat* said, is there not here a Prophet of the Lord, That we may inquire of him?

And the King said, There is yet one man, by whom we may inquire, *but I hate him*; for he doth not prophesie good concerning me; but *evil*, *1 Kings 22. v. 7, 8.*

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**I To the Haters of Popery, by what Names or Titles
soever Dignified or distinguished.**

Thus 'twas of old: when Israel felt the rod,
When they obey'd their Kings, and not their God;
When they went whoring after their Loves,
To worship Idols in new planted Groves.
They made their Gods of Silver, Wood and Stone,
And bow'd and worship'd them when they had done.
And to complete their sins in every way,
They made 'em things call'd Priests: Priests, did I say?
A Crew of Villains more prophane than they.
Hence sprung that Romish Crew, first spawn'd in Hell,
Who now in vice their Pedagogues excel;
Their Church consists of vitious Popes, the Rest
Are whoring Nuns, and bawdy Bugg'ring Priests.
A Noble Church! dabb'd with Religious Paint,
Each Priest's a Stallion, every Rogue's a Saint.
Come you that Loath this Brood: This murdering crew,
Your Predecessors well their mercies knew.
Take Courage now, and be both bold and wise;
Stand for your Laws, Religious Liberties:
You have the odds, the Law is still your own,
They're but your Traytors, therefore pull 'em down.
They struck with fear, seek to destroy your Laws
There, raving mad, you see they fix their Paws,
Because from them they fear their fatal fall,
And by them Laws, they know you'll hang 'em all.
Then keep your Laws, the Penal, and the Rest,
And give your Lives up, ere you give the Test.
And this great Church of England hold thy own
Force you they may, otherwise give up none.
Robbers and Thieves must repent for what they've done.
Let all thy mighty Pillars now appear,
Zealous and brave, void both of Hate and Fear,
That Popish Fops may grin, lye, cheat and whine;
And cause their Faith, while all admire shine.
About Broad Oxford, Cambridge, and the Rest,
Great Hough and Fairfax, that durst beard the Beast,
Let all the Just with thank record their name
On standing Pillars of Immortal Fame.

Let God arise, and his Enemies perish.



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JUDICIUM ASTROLOGICUM

Pro Anno 1688.

THE first three Months of the Year are always considered from the positions of the Sun's entrance into the Tropical sign *Capricorn*, which was [from the *Caroline Tables*] in 1687. on the eleventh of *December*, at 2 hours 24 minutes P. M. at which time three degrees of *Aquary* was on the M. C. and 7 degrees of *Gemini* on the Ascendant: *Saturn* is in 23 deg. of *Libra*, in the sixth House: *Mars* in 26 deg. of *Pisces*, in the eleventh, and *Jupiter* in conjunction with the *Sun*, in the eighth, in *Capricorn* his fall; *Comet* and *Occidental*, and *Venus* in the sixth in *Scorpio* her detriment. So that the two Fortunes are in a poor weak condition, and none of the seven Angular but the *Moon*. At the Preventional full Moon all the Planets were under the Earth, except *Mars* and the *Moon*, and they in a double Square from the tenth and seventh Houses: And the *Sun* likewise in Square to *Mars*. At the Postventional New Moon the *Sun* is in the tenth, and *Mars* in *Aries* in the Ascendant, in Square to *Jupiter* and *Mercury*. And now let us examine what will be the effects of these Positions.

At the Ingress and the full Moon, the Planets are generally under the Earth, and in obscure Houses, which shews close Consults, Connells and Cabals in divers places and parts of Europe, and that the principal part of this Quarter will be spent in debates, and Affairs of that nature. The things in debate are two, and those are Religion and Dominion, or rather a power to impose the former upon mankind, the better to introduce some other Projects. And this is shewed by the position of the *Sun* in conjunction with *Jupiter*, and he in Reception with *Mars*; *Jupiter* (you must observe) always personates the Clergy of Nations, and they you know generally love to be concerned in Government, and accordingly he is here got under the *Sun's* protection, who is the real Patron of Government and Rule: And *Mars* is to be his Helior to manage the Affair by Force, if no other way will do. But if Bonatus says true, they will be cruelly disappointed; for he says, the *Sun* in the eighth House significat depressionem divinum & magnatum seu Nobilium, &c. and in another place speaking of *Mars* in *Pisces*, he

he says, *Mortem Magnatum & Divinum significat*. So that between depression and death they are like to lose their long look for, and wished for desire, to the great grief of *Mother Church* and her *Babes*. But yet to make it more clear that the thing is Religion, pray observe, that *Saturn*, who is Lord of the ninth and tenth Houses, hath been lately in *Sextile* with the *Sun*; and *Mercury* the little foot-post among the Stars, is in the ninth House *Retrograde*, and his first application is to the bodies of *Jupiter* and the *Sun*: from whence it is more than probable, that the design is so.

If we consider, that immediately after the Ingress, the *Sun*, *Jupiter* and *Mercury* meet in the beginning of *Capricorn*, and this in the eighth House, about which time we may conclude, that there was some considerable thing taken into consideration, that is fit and serviceable for the present juncture of affairs; but while it is under consideration, the advantage propounded is spoiled. For *Mars* comes up presently after to the Square of *Mercury* and *Jupiter*, and the *Sun* shortly after to the Square of *Saturn*, which divides their Councils, and destroys the design: so that when *Mars* comes to the Opposition of *Saturn* in the end of *January*, or thereabouts, you may hear of *Favorites* turned out, and new ones entertained. Fresh *Dragooning* in *France*, or something like it, new attempts in *England*, to wheedle the people to chuse a *Parliament*, to destroy their Laws and Religion. But under the effects of that Opposition of *Saturn* and *Mars*, will be laid the project or design of some cursed attempt, to be performed about *June* following, for that opposition is celebrated upon a New Moon, from active parts of Heaven, attended by bad Aspects, and the *Sun* and *Moon* at the same time in Opposition to the places of the last great triple Conjunction in *Leo*. And *Bonaus* tells us, that *Mars* joyned to *Saturn* by opposition is of a pernicious consequence. *Insurgent enim in eos ex guerra, & niventur contra eos*; and again he says, *Mars in Ariete significat victoriam in bello civibus civitatum illarum: & habitatoribus illarum regionum super inimicos eorum, qui venerint de aliis partibus ad illas causa nocendi eis*. That *Mars* in *Aries* signifies victory to the Citizens and Inhabitants of those Cities and Countries under that sign (I suppose he means if they have occasion to fight) & that they shall put to flight all those that come to offer them either Violence or Injury. And to say the truth, I do believe that Opposition with some other Positions and Configurations, will be

be the occasion of such differences, that will come both to blows and blood, in what part of the world I shall leave to time to shew: only this I will say, those *Cities* and *Countries* under *Aries* and *Libra* will feel the smart of it.

The effects of this Quarter will consist more of Consults than Action, and the Contrivances thereof will be the work of the following Summer. And so I come to consider the Vernal Ingress of the *Sun*, which is *March* the ninth at 4 hours P. M. 1688. At the time mentioned of the *Suns* entrance into *Aries*, there is 2 deg. of *Gemini* on the M. C. and 9 degrees of *Virgo* Ascending; *Saturn* then in 23 deg. of *Libra*; *Jupiter* in 22 deg. of *Capricorn*; *Mars* in 24 degr. of *Taurus*, among the *Pleiades*; *Venus* in 18 degr. of *Aquary*; the *Moon* in 11 degr. of *Scorpio*; and *Mercury* in 12 deg. of *Aries*. The first and the principal thing remarkable in this Figure, is the Square of *Jupiter* and *Saturn* from cardinal signs: And this of it self will bear the general sway in the effects of the three following Months, and ought to be considered two several ways. First from the Aspect, and secondly their Position. As to the Aspect; it never gives any thing that is either sudden or very violent; but it stirs up differences in *Societies*, gives *Treacheries* and *Villanies*, with the discovery thereof; gives *Nations* and *Kingdoms* suspensions of their *Governors*. And this sometimes not without a cause; but it always begets *Troubles*, *Animosities*, *Differences*, and the like, from whence proceeds greater mischiefs, which certainly shew themselves by some great *Irruption* in the *State*, or alteration in the *Government* by the death of the then *King*, *Prince*, &c. And this the more certain if there be three Squares of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, as there are now, and be sure their effects fall always in those Countries subject to the signs they are in, or their *Quadrangles*; but when they happen to be in *cardinal Signs* (as they are now) then is their Effects the more famous and remarkable. And for the truth of this be pleased to consider the preceeding Presidents of this kind, before the *curst popish Plot* in 1678. there was a single Square of the two Superiors from *Gemini* and *Pisces*, here *London* and *England* also suffered sufficiently by that damned design of the *Papists*, and those *villains* their *Accomplices*. In 1668. there was a single Square from *Aquary* to *Taurus*, this did not at all concern *England*, neither was that then disturbed. In the year 1657. and 1658. there was a triple Square of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* from *Libra* and *Capricorn*, *Saturn* then opposite to the *Horoscope* of *England*.

At that time there was murmurings and plottings against the then Oppressors, which at last was concluded with *Olivers Death*, and a general mutation in the Government, with divers other Changes and Alterations, as those that then lived, can well remember. Likewise when *Oliver* turned out the Long Parliament, and took the Government on him, it was just after an Opposition of those two Superiours. In the year 1647. and 1648. there was then also a triple Square of Saturn and Jupiter from Gemini and Virgo: What plotting contrivances there was then against the Government, let the Affairs of Wales, Lancashire and Colchester inform you, which cost many thousand men their lives, and last of all the King lost his Head. In the year 1637. and 1638. there was a triple Square of the two Superiours from Libra and Capricorn, and Scorpio and Aquary. What murmurings there then was among the People of all sorts, for their Oppressions they then laboured under, let History inform you, which was at last followed with a War, &c. I could go further in these historical Passages: but I think these five Examples are sufficient to prove, that a triple Square of Saturn and Jupiter from Cardinal Signs doth certainly make an Irruption in the Government of England, and generally turn up the heels of it, especially when it stands tottering as at this time; and the first of them happens in March 1688. the second in July, in the same year. and the third the January following, which by the Grace of God will in time have their Effects also.

Secondly, as to their position, we find the one in the third House, and the other in the fifth, and nearly in parallel, without any Configuration or Aspect to any of the other Stars, and both under the Earth, which shews as if there were some designs in hand, that the Managers are either afraid or ashamed to have known; that they are few in number is plain from their position *sine Configurationibus*, and that they are very private from their being under the Earth in succedent Houses. In short, the position and the Aspect considered with other things, doth certainly presage some villanous Contrivance by the Papists, which will be the ground of their Ruin, and when their turn is come, I hope the Protestants will not forget to hang them for all their kindness and good nature to us. And now, if we consider Mars, who is the other Malefick, we shall find him in Taurus in the 24 degree thereof, and in Trine to Jupiter in the fifth; the House of Children, Venus in Aquary in the sixth, and

and the Moon in the third house cadent in *Scorpio*, that *Villanous, Treacherous, Cheating, Perfidious, Truce-breaking, whoring* sign. And the first Aspect the Moon makes in the *Zodiack*, is the Square of *Venus*, then to the *Trine* of *Jupiter*, and lastly to the Opposition of *Mars*, and all these from that *Pious sign Scorpio*. Hence I judge that there is some *bawdy project* on foot, that must be managed by such people as are described by the Moon in *Scorpio*. And this is either about *buying, selling or procuring a Child or Children* for some *pious use*. Perhaps it may be nothing else but the taking care of *Father Peters* his *Child* that he got on *Mrs. Betty* at the *Bath* last Summer; and that I may do you all the Service I can, I will here describe what manner of made persons they are that are to be concerned in this *bawdy project*. And they are a sort of *scandalous, impudent, mercenary* people, that will sell or ruin their own Souls, to serve the cause they are dipt in, of a *fat corpulent body*, not very tall, perhaps but short; for they are like the Moon in *Scorpio*, which may give both, but always fat or inclined to it. For a *Man*, *Gadbury* the *Popes Astrologer* is exactly described both for body and mind, and for a *Woman*, *Mrs. Cellier* *Midwife* to the *Popish Plot*, who doth not come an Inch behind him, both for Reputation and Honesty.

But besides this, there may be other designs in hand suitable to this position, and that is some *Embassy*, or foreign *Message*, to be negotiated a few weeks after the Ingress, about a weighty affair now in hand, and since we find *Jupiter, Venus* and *Mars* to be concerned in it, the business may be about money, *Councils* and *Soldiers*. And the reason that induceth me to believe it to be beyond the seas, is because the Moon is in the third, the house of *Fourneys*, *Jupiter* in the fifth, the house of *Embassies* and *Embassadors*, and *Mars* in the ninth, the house of *Long-journeys* and *Voyages by Sea*; and that it is about *Soldiers* and *armed men*, because of the Moon and *Mars* in violent and pernicious parts of Heaven. But if you consider *Mercury* swift in motion, in his *Oriental Occidentality*, and separated from the Sun (who is in exact Sextile to the tenth) and next applies to the opposition of *Saturn* and square of *Jupiter* in the *Zodiack*, and to the Sextile of *Venus* and Square of *Jupiter* in *mundus*, all from *Aries*, the Ascendant of *England*. So you will see a fine Issue of these things a few days after the Ingress, whether it will be *Discoveries* of *Treachery* with loss of Honour and Court-favour, or *Impeachments*, or both, I will not take upon me to

determin; but the time you may expect it, will be in *April* and *June*. Perhaps when Thieves differ, there may be work for the Hangman.

But one thing more I shall observe from this *Ingress*, and that is, when *Saturn* and *Jupiter* make their second Square, which is in *July*. Then the *Sun* and *Mars* are in *Leo*, near the place of the last great Conjunction, and they both keep within ways, during their Passage through that sign; why may not the *Turk* again feel the force of his Enemies Arms, or *Italy* receive some disturbance from a neighbouring Invader?

In short, the figure of the *Ingress* doth not promise any great Action in publick, that is generous and brave; but abundance of *deceit*, *wheedle*, *Tricking*, and such kind of base *underhand dealing*, wrought in the dark, as the *Popish Faction* usually do. And now if the *Popish jugler* in *Brick Court* pleaseth to call this in question, that I do this year, I would advise him to leave off his Cant, and tell his Friends the truth if he is able, before it is too late, that they may provide for themselves. And so I come to consider the *Autumnal Ingress*, and that is, when the *Sun* enters the first Scruple of *Libra*, which is this year, *September* the twelfth at 30 minutes past six of the clock in the morning.

In this figure we find *cardinal signs* possess the four *Angles*, which according to some learned *Coxcombs* in our Profession, is a mighty thing; but for my part I know no reason for it, nor they neither; but only some *Bouncing Huffs* will impose, and find *easy People* to believe them. Any signs on the *Angles* with *Planets* in them are great positions, but *Cardinal Signs* there without *Planets* signifie little; but *si populus vult decipi*, &c. but in this Figure we have three *Planets* Angular, and yet they signifie very little to the advantage of the position in general. For *Jupiter* is in his fall in opposition to the angle of dignity and grandeur, and in Square to *Saturn*, and *Saturn* is in *Libra* his *Exaltation*, applying to the *mundane parallel* of the *Sun*, and in the *Ascendent* also: Of which thus speaks *Boetius*, *Saturnus in Ascendente, significat maerorem multorum hominum*. That it shews much grief and sorrow to many men. And if other positions and Aspects say true, it is more than probable too. And he says the same also of the position of *Mars* in the twelfth, which must be aggravated and increased by his being Combust, *Significat maerorem & tristitiam venturam*: And I judg, he might also have said, *Causa Criminum & Carceris*: For *Mars* in the twelfth House afflicting the *Sun*, gives sorrow, loss, imprisonment, and divers

divers other Calamities of that kind, and this to such persons as are signified by the *Sun* and *Mars*.

But what means the *Sun* in the twelfth, within six degrees of the Body of *Mars*, and not far from the body of *Saturn*, and this in *Libra* his fall? this is a position of pernicious consequence, of which hear what *Bonatus* says; *Significat diminutionem atque depressionem divinum & Nobilium quoque & eorum mortem: eorumque dignitatum ablationem: & injurias eis illaturas ab ignobilibus.* It signifies, says he, the fall and depression of great and noble Men, and their Death also: *Loss of their dignity*, and affronts to them from the common people: And indeed whether *Bonatus* says so or not, common reason will tell any man, that such effects must be the consequence of such a position, if he understands Astrology: And as the *Sun* goes from the body of *Mars*, so he applies to the body of *Saturn*, who is Lord of the Eighth from the Tenth; and for that reason also seems to threaten death to great men in this Quarter, and perhaps a *King* or *Prince* too. For the *Sun* signifies *Kings*, &c. Besides, the *Moon*, who is Lady of the tenth, the house of *Kings*, is hastening to the body of *Mars* and *Zodiacal parallel* of *Saturn*, which exceedingly strengthens the forementioned *Apborsism* and Judgment. I have seen a *Nativity* of a certain great Man in *Europe*, whose fate seems to agree with this position, and I care not much if I give you the particulars of his present impending directions and other adjuncts that the common Astrologers know nothing of. He hath *Leo* Ascending, and the part of fortune giver of Life, which is directed to the Points and Aspects following, with the *Arks of Directions*, and the time thereto agreeing.

Part of Fortune ad opposit. Saturn. dd	57	30	54	10
Sol ad par. Satur. in mundo dd	58	1	55	01
Par. Fortu. ad sesq. quad. Merc. mdo. dc	58	10	55	03
Jupit. ad per. rap. Saturn. mundo.	59	0	56	02
Pars fortu. ad par. mund. Jupit. dl	60	44	57	08
Par. fort. ad Quadr. Venus mund. dl	61	46	58	07
Par. fortu. ad Biquin. Solis cd	61	48	58	08
Par. fortu. ad par. Jupit. mundo dc.	62	20	59	02
Par. fortu. ad par. Rap. Martis mundo	62	54	59	08
Par. fortu. al quadr. Satur. mundo dc	63	30	60	04
Par. fortu. ad sexti. Martis mundo dd	64	33	61	05
Par. fort. ad Trinu. Mercur. mund. dl	65	46	62	08
Luna ad quad. Saturn. mundo dd	67	1	63	05

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Thus you see here are 13 directions, and the Major part of them,

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them, begin to operate in an about the Month of *October* this present year, and the Question is, Whether they have power to Kill or not? I answer, Yes, they may Kill, and there is but one objection to hinder an Artist from being positive, and that is the *pars fortune ad par. Jupiter modo. dd.* according to *Ptolemy*, Lib. 3. Cap. 14. and indeed it might be Judged, that the direction would have defeated all the rest, with the assistance of the *Square of Venus*, had not *Jupiter* at the same time been directed to the *Parallel of Saturn in mundo motu Rapto*, and *Venus* by the same motion to the *Square of Saturn in mundo*: but perhaps some may object, and say, that I mention some directions that are far distant in degrees, and therefore they cannot signifie much: To those I answer, let them read and study well that Chapter in *Ptolemy*, *de numero annorum Nati*, and perhaps they may understand it so far as to be satisfied. If they do not, it is not my fault. But I will here speak something in particular as an Artist, but it will be wholly different from the common Astrological Cant now in use.

The *Part of Fortune* is *Giver of Life*, out of the *Ecliptick*, and in a violent parallel in *Square* to the *Moon*, and in *opposition* to *Mercury*: and therefore violently placed, *Saturn* the principal Planet directed in this figure is in *Sagittary*, a Sign of a contrary nature to him, and there in *Conjunction* with the *Scorpions heart*, according to *Longitude*. In a mundane *Square* with *Mars*, and under this qualification is the *Part of Fortune* directed to him as you have it before, and this assisted by the *Sun* to the mundane *Parallel of Saturn*, *pars fortune* to the *Sesquiquadrante* of *Mercury*, and to the mundane parallel of *Mars motu Rapto*. With these consider that at the Moment of the Revolution the *Sun* is *Eclipsed*, in *Conjunction* with *Saturn* in the twelfth house, as in this *Ingress* of the *Sun* into *Libra* he is with *Mars*, and all this in a *Climacterical* year. But that which is most remarkable, *Saturn* at the same time by direction afflicts two of the prime *Hylegiacals*, and the only two assistants. And in the Revolution he afflicts the *Sun* and *Moon* by his presence, he being within 4 degrees of them, the Radical part of fortune by parallel, the *Mid-heaven* by opposition, and the *Horoscope* by *Square*. Now suppose the question was asked, Whether a man of 55 years of age, under such a Crowd of directions, could live or not? Why really I must needs say, if it was my own Brother's case, I should not think it was possible for him to escape with his Life.

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But to conclude the Judgment of the whole year, and this Quarter in particular, I shall only add this, That there are various and many mutations at hand, and I believe the Effusion of some Blood also.

Observations on the Twelve Months.

January: At the beginning of this Month the Sun meets the Square of Saturn, from which you may expect some damnable intrigue of the Papists, newly Contrived, of which you will hear more toward the end of the Month. But besides this, it shews the death of some old infirm States-man, or else he is turned out and discarded. It likewise gives ground for new differences between great and eminent Men, and that there shall arise quarrels between those that least expected it, according to that of Bonatus, *Erunt rixae atque discordiae inter divites & Magnates.*

But at the New Moon in January we find an opposition of Saturn and Mars from the first and seventh Houses, and Mercury in the fourth, in Square to them both, the Effects of which particularly concern England. And it hath two sorts of Effects attend it: the first is, great differences among those of the Government (as they call themselves) by which means their present affairs are either neglected or put to a stand, and perhaps some Contrivance about a foreign Army next May or June. The second is, turning out divers of their Creatures, either because they are not able, or not willing to serve them any further, so that in February you may expect that the East-wind will rise and send in a new cast of Caterpillars.

February: At the begining of this Month we find the Sun in Trine to Saturn, which promiseth preferment to some old cunning Hypocrite, that was formerly Kicks out, is now received to Court again upon promise of obedience, you know to what. This Month is spent in preferments to those that are qualified with virtues fit for it, and divers new Players are brought in about this time.

March. The first thing considerable here is, the Sextile of the Sun and Jupiter, and the Square of Saturn and Jupiter: now if you make your Compute right between these two Aspects, it will make a very pleasant mixture fit for the time it falls in, the Sextile is great, generous and brave, but the Square is all trick, Cheat, Hypocrisie, &c. So that I conclude there will be about this time some Clergymen preferred, Men of excellent Parts, and great proficients in Atheism, Socinianism

nism and *Poperie*. For Example, suppose *Sam. Parker* of *Oxford*, or *Cartwright* of *Chester*: but whether it is from their preferring these scandalous Villains, or any other intricate cause I cannot say, but about this time the *Papish* Councils in *England* go on but heavily, some *designs* takes air too soon, others are frustrate, and some of their own *Creatures* disappoint them in their service, though many of them are *Rogues* enough. The last Month seem'd to countenance an Approaching War with some neighbouring Nation, and much talk there was of something to be done by Sea and Land, but now all that noise is laid aside, and perhaps those Preparations then visibly may be employed to some other *curst Design*, which is not yet publickly known.

April: From the Opposition of the *Sun* and *Saturn* at the end of the last Month you may expect more *Changes* and *Turnings* among those called *Ministers of State*, and if I mistake not, there is now some new Regulation among the *Ecclesiastical Commissioners*, and the Square of the *Sun* and *Jupiter* tells you for *what*, that is, there are now new *Orders* and *Commands* sent down to *Oxford*, and those new Gamesters are to execute them; but this is certain, there is now some new Villany to be acted by the *Papists* at *Oxford*, by what Persons or what Authority I will not be positive. Besides, this Square of the *Sun* and *Jupiter* doth also portend some difference among the Clergy and Courtiers, or else some Considerable Clergymen turn'd out of favour, perhaps both. *Mars* now in *Gemini* puts the City of *London* in fear, and there is good ground for it too. The Sextile of *Jupiter* and *Venus* speaks great things about *Liberty*, *Religion* and *Privileges*, but believe it who pleaseth; but the double Square of *Jupiter* and *Mercury* gives some contentious Books and Pamphlets about *Religion*, and the *Sun's* Eclipse threatens *Ireland*.

May will not afford much action nor cause for it, but the Affairs of this Month depend on the Influence of the last, only the Trine of the *Sun* and *Jupiter* gives some *Loyal Fellow* preferment in the Law, and it is to serve a particular end too: there is also at this time great Endeavors used to prepare the way for some *precious Villanies* to be acted in the next Month. The Trine of the *Sun* and *Saturn* gives some old *Renegado* preferment in the City of *London*: alas poor old *Fop*; thou hast lived to a fair age, turn — at last!

June. This is a Month of Action with a Witness: the Square of *Saturn* and *Mars* will (you need not question) give Villany enough, now they use Violence to prepare for *Wreedling*; for it is best *fishing* in troubled *Waters*: New Inventions trump up, Privileges and Laws invaded more than formerly: *Poperie* appears more *bare-faced* than it used to do. Some *Child* topt upon a *Lawful Heir* to cheat them out of their

their Right and Estate. God preserve the Kingdom of England from Invasi-
 on. For about this time, I fear it in earnest; and keep the Pro-
 testants there from being Dragoon'd. A Great Clergyman or Law-
 yeer, and perhaps it may be judged by Poison. About the end of this
 Month or the beginning of the next, a great Man in England will be
 indisposed and sick, which will make many ready to Besh - themselves,
 but I will comfort them, the time is not yet come.

July is not less active than the preceeding Month: the Square of
 the Sun and Saturn will again put things into a strange and unusual
 Ferment, differences between great Men grows still higher and more
 violent and publick: the Popish Sham's will not do, neither will they
 pass upon the people as they expected; and indeed they are too ful-
 som to be endured. With this the opposition of Jupiter and the Sun takes
 place, and perhaps you will think it strange, that a great man should
 quarrel with his Priests, or they with him. But some such things will
 be, and also some Regues lately taken in turn'd out again. These po-
 sitions considered with the Square of Saturn and Jupiter the second
 time, and Mars on the place of the last great Conjunction, will put things
 into a very violent posture and strange disorder. Those that are dip't in
 Treason, now begin to be desperate. Believing the Gallows to be their
 due if the design perish, as it undoubtedly will, let them try all the
 Tricks they can, and make use of all the treasonable practises that Gad-
 bury and the rest of the Villains can put them upon: for they are al-
 most come to their ne plus ultra.

August: the Square of Saturn and Jupiter puts the whole faction
 upon Council, and the Question is, what shall be done next. The Sun
 and Mars in Leo on the place of the Conjunction seems to shew their
 Councils incline to violence, and blood, and the rather because in Leo
 the Ascendent of Rome. But their Councils are divided, and they
 Cannot yet thoroughly agree. But on the 15th day there is a violent
 Lunation in Virgo, and a Conjunction of the Sun and Mars a few days af-
 ter in the same sign, in Square to Gemini the Ascendent of London,
 if ever the Papists put it upon a bloody desperate issue, it is now at this
 time. But I think they will not, because I believe they have not Cou-
 rage and Impudence enough to do it, but I am sure they are willing.
Sol & Mars Coniuncti in Virgine, significat Effusionem sanguinis, and the
 reason is because it is a humane sign. Yet I am of the opinion that
 there will be divers sorts of Violence attend it, and blood may be
 as well shed by the Law, out of a Malicious design, as if it were
 done publicly by the hand of Mars.

But I would now advise the People of England to provide them-
 selves with Nets of all sorts, for they will shortly have great occasion
 to use them. Your Priests Nets ought to be made firm and good, and
 as strong as if you were to Catch foxes and wild-boars in them,
 for

for they are a *Crew of plagues Strong Rogues*, especially those that carry *Saints about with them*, and for this sort of Game let your Nets be spread at *Caring-cross, London-Bridge, Gravesend, Dover and Portsmouth*.

But the *Judge-Nets* need not be altogether so strong, such as you used to catch Owls and Bazzards with, will do well enough; and your best places to spread them in are the *Temple Stairs, Serjants-Inn-Gates, and Chancery-lane*: You may also try your Nets to Catch three or four *Bishops*: But in my opinion you had better Angle for them, and your best Bait is a *Cardinal's Cap*, with which you will be sure to catch them: You must be also provided for some *Mushroom Lords*, it was the way formerly to catch them by their *bonnet*, but now you must not trust to that, for these never had either *honor* or *honesty*, and therefore your Nets and Tackling must be Good. And for the rest of the Crowd, whether they are *Knights, worshipful Gentlemen*, or any of the *new Converted, tender-Conscienced Catholics* in gross, you may Catch them as they do *Larks in Winter*, with a *Low-bell*, supposing it calls them to *Mass*. And when you have taken your Game, pray be careful and kind to *George Jefferies* and *Sam. Parker*, for they deserve abundance of Respect.

September: The Trine of the *Sun* and *Jupiter* at the end of the last Month, seems to indicate preferment to some *Lawyer or Clergy-man*, or both: And the Trine of *Jupiter* and *Mars* at the beginning of this Month gives advancement to a *Soldier* for some Eminent Service by him done either by *Sea or Land*. And also there seems to be a notice and report of some great body of Men to meet about Matters of State, either in *Parliament*, or some other great Council, &c. *Mars* keeping Company with the *Sun* so long, will give an unwholesome and an unhealthy season. Perhaps some new kind of *feavore*, or a distemper of the bowels may ensue. The conjunction of *Mars* and *Mercury* in *Libra* will lay some knavish design either for Cheating or Thieving. But their being so near the *Sun-beams*, it may be discovered before they are aware, and they rewarded before they are willing.

October: Here are no less than five of the seven Planets in *Libra*, and suddenly after four of them in *Scorpio*. And all of them out of their dignities [terms excepted,] this can shew no other than great and frequent meetings to Consult upon some Affairs that seem to require both *Speed and Secrecy*. The Planets are *Saturn*, the *Sun*, *Venus* and *Mercury*; here are People of all sorts concerned in it: *Old, Young, Noble, Ignoble, Men, Women, Lawyers, States-men*, &c. well, let them go on with their design, and manage it as well and as wisely as they and their Counsellors can Contrive. But in the Next place we find the *Sun* in conjunction with *Saturn* in about 27 degrees of *Libra*: this

his is an untoward Position, and I doubt will make some Peoples hearts
 be spread. Saturn, according to the common Notion in *Astrology*, is strong in
 libra, it being his Exaltation, and the Sun is weak there, it being
 his Fall. So that the Sun is afflicted by the presence of Saturn, and
 you expect the Death of some great Man for that reason, &c. the Eclipse of
 the Sun doth also shew the same, it being in the beginning of Scorpio
 among violent Stars, and his Death will be of the nature of Saturn,
 Mars, and Mercury: the Square of Jupiter and Mars from Capricorn and
 libra, shews some great Lawyer or Clergyman, or both, to be in an ill
 Condition; when the Heavens frown, then it goes hard. In short, I
 must tell you that this will be a Month of more talk than trade. Farewel.
 November: This Month begins with two remarkable Aspects, the
 first is the Sextile of the Sun and Jupiter; this shews that there is a
 very great Lady in Europe, that shall now Ascend to a very great degree
 of Honour and Grandeur, and long may she enjoy it with peace and plenty;
 it is the Effects of her Midheaven to the Body of the moon and Sextile
 of Venus, the Trine of Jupiter not being far off: the second is the Con-
 junction of Saturn and Mars on the place of the last Eclipse: This shews
 the ruin and destruction of many men that a few Months ago did little
 think thereof, and these men of no small quality; it falls in Scorpio the
 dignity of Mars and a fix'd Sign, and will be therefore both violent and
 durable: Let them look to the Consequence thereof. These two
 Aspects would take up a whole Treatise to explain them, but I am
 confined to a small space of Paper, and I need not tell you any more
 Effects of this Month, for these very actions will drown all other
 affairs. God keep all quiet at home.

December concludes this wonderful Year, and indeed of the whole,
 the latter part is most to be admired, because of the variety it pro-
 duceth; for we find Venus on that great Lady's Midheaven in sextile to
 Mars, and Jupiter on the place of her Radical Moon, in Conjunction
 with Venus, and about three Months preceding, Jupiter Stationary
 on the degree [almost] of her Midheaven; greater Positions cannot be
 to Concur so exactly, and I doubt not but their Effects will be as
 Considerable and glorious. Nay I might add yet another, and that is
 of Jupiter on the place of her Radical Moon in sextile of Mars, who is
 in the beginning of Sagittary, in exact sextile to her Radical Midheaven,
 and this near an eminent fixed Star of the nature of Mars and Jupiter:
 And so I will conclude with that passage of the Prophet *Isaiah*, ch. 66.
 ver. 10. Rejoyce ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love
 her: Rejoyce for Joy with her, all ye that mourn for her.

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The Hieroglyphick, bein a Synopsis of the whole Year, by
way of CONCLUSION.

Come Painter, take a Prospect from this Hill,
And on a well-spread Canvass shew thy skill;
Draw all in Colours as they shall appear,
And as they stand in merit place them there.
Draw, as the *Heraulds* do, a spacious Field,
And as directed, so let that be fill'd.
First, draw a *Popish Army* brisk and gay,
Fighting and beat, destroy'd and run away.
Then draw a *Hearse*, and let it stand in view,
The *Mourners* more, far more than are in shew.
Cursing their fate, their stars, and in this fear,
Shew, if thou canst, how these damn'd Sots prepare
To run, or slay, and skulk in holes alone,
By them this Motto, *Gallows claim thy own.*
Now to the Life, let thy brisk Pencil shew
Distinctly, who they are, and what's their due.
Now draw a *Crowd of Priests* prepar'd to run,
Like broken Merchants when their Stocks are gone.
Some *howling out their Prayers*, forget and say,
Save us *Saints Ketch*, are all our *Saints* away?
Draw 'em in hurry, running to and fro,
Posting to *Dover, Portsmouth, Tyburn* too.
Next draw a *Crowd of Lords*, this Label by, }
The great Design is past. Alas they cry, }
Who'd serve a Cause of such curst destiny! }
Now draw four *Priests*; shew how they *Rome* adore,
And each man's scarf hang to be seen before.
Two brace of Bishops fallen to despair,
Arm'd *Cap-a-pe*; but going God knows where.
Now shew the *Judges*, and with them thy skill,
That all who see it done, may say, 'tis well.
In *Caps and Gowns*, as they in order fate
'Twixt *Heav'n and Earth*, do thou 'em elevate, }
Their *Learned Noddles* can *Dispence* with that, }
Now draw the *Little Rogues*, the *Scoundrel Crew*, }
Knights, Knaves and Beggars, they must have their due, }
Gadbury, Butler, Ay and Roger too. }
Amidst this Crowd, on a fit Spot of Land,
To *Crown* the work, let a large *Gallows* stand
All trembling, Arm'd with their guilt and fears
Kneel to this *Image*, and pour out their Prayers.
And then die by *suffocation*.

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